



Automated Enforcement Laws and Programs

State	Red Light	Speeding	Other	State Preemption
Alabama ¹	√	√		
Alaska				
Arizona	√	√		
Arkansas ²		√	√	
California	√		√ ³	
Colorado ⁴	√	√ ⁴		
Connecticut				
Delaware	√			
District of Columbia ⁵	√	√		
Florida	√			
Georgia	√			
Hawaii				
Idaho				
Illinois ⁶	√	√	√	
Indiana				
Iowa ⁷	√	√		
Kansas				
Kentucky				
Louisiana	√	√		
Maine				√ ⁸
Maryland ⁹	√	√	√	
Massachusetts				
Michigan				
Minnesota				
Mississippi			√	
Missouri	√	√		
Montana			√ ¹⁰	
Nebraska				
Nevada				√ ¹¹
New Hampshire				√ ¹²
New Jersey	√ ¹³			
New Mexico ¹⁴	√	√		
New York ¹⁵	√		√	
North Carolina	√ ¹⁶			
North Dakota				
Ohio ¹⁷	√	√		
Oklahoma				
Oregon	√	√ ¹⁸		
Pennsylvania	√ ¹⁹			



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Rhode Island	√		√ ²⁰	
South Carolina ²¹		√		√
South Dakota				
Tennessee ²²	√	√	√	
Texas ²³	√			√ ²³
Utah		√ ²⁴		
Vermont				
Virginia ²⁵	√		√	
Washington ²⁶	√	√	√	
West Virginia				√ ²⁷
Wisconsin				√ ²⁸
Wyoming				

¹ In Alabama, red light camera and automated speed enforcement programs are used in certain localities only.

² In Arkansas, automated speed enforcement by county or state government is prohibited except at school zones and railroad crossings; officer must be present and citation must be issued at time of offense.

³ Railroad crossings

⁴ In Colorado, automated speed enforcement is restricted to construction and school zones, residential areas, or areas adjacent to municipal parks. Colorado law grants authority to use automated enforcement to capture any traffic violation.

⁵ D.C. grants jurisdiction-wide authority to use automated enforcement to capture all moving violations.

⁶ In Illinois, red light camera programs and automated enforcement at railroad crossings are used in certain localities only and require a local ordinance. Automated speed enforcement may only be used in construction zones or on Illinois Toll Authority roads, in municipalities with a population of 1,000,000 or more, in safety zones (one-eighth mile from school or park); but only when a law enforcement officer is present and witnesses the event. Other local use is prohibited.

⁷ In Iowa, there is no state law on automated enforcement; red light camera and automated speed enforcement programs are used in certain localities.

⁸ In Maine, all photo enforcement prohibited.

⁹ In Maryland, automated speed enforcement is used in work zones and certain school and residential zones; and automated speed enforcement and automated enforcement at railroad crossings are used in certain localities.

¹⁰ In Montana, all automated enforcement is prohibited except at railroad crossings.

¹¹ Nevada prohibits the use of imaging equipment unless it is hand held by an officer, installed in a vehicle or a facility of a law enforcement agency.

¹² In New Hampshire, automated enforcement is prohibited.

¹³ In New Jersey, photo radar is prohibited; local jurisdictions may apply to join a local red light pilot program.

¹⁴ In New Mexico, certain localities are authorized to operate red light camera and automated speed enforcement programs; NMDOT has banned red light cameras and mobile enforcement vans on state and federal roadways; state law requires counties and municipalities using camera enforcement to post a warning sign and a warning beacon.

¹⁵ In New York, red light camera enforcement is authorized in certain localities only. In New York City, automated enforcement is used for bus lane violations.

¹⁶ In North Carolina, red light camera enforcement is authorized in certain localities only.

¹⁷ In Ohio, there is no state law on automated enforcement; programs are implemented in certain localities

¹⁸ In Oregon, photo radar is authorized in specific locations for up to 4 hours per day.

¹⁹ In Pennsylvania, red light cameras are authorized in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and other authorized municipalities, with a local ordinance.

²⁰ School bus safety violations



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²¹ In South Carolina, state law prohibits photo enforcement with is a narrow exception: citations for violating traffic laws relating to speed or disregarding traffic control devices may only be used when the state declares an emergency and citations must be served in person within one hour of the violation. One city, Ridgeland, disputes the effect of the state law and is operating a photo enforcement program outside of these specifications.

²² In Tennessee, automated enforcement is permitted for any traffic violation except for on interstate highways that are not work zones; requires local ordinance; violations of right turn on red limited to signed intersections.

²³ In Texas, red light camera enforcement requires a local ordinance; automated speed enforcement is not permitted.

²⁴ In Utah, automated speed enforcement may only be used school zones or where limit is 30 mph or less; an officer must be present; requires local ordinance.

²⁵ In Virginia, red light camera enforcement is authorized for certain localities only; automated speed enforcement may be used to prevent toll violations on the Dulles Access Highway.

²⁶ In Washington State, automated speed enforcement may be used in school zones and railroad crossings; requires a local ordinance. Red light camera programs may be used in localities at arterial road intersections with stoplights meeting MUTCD standards for yellow change intervals; requires a local ordinance.

²⁷ In West Virginia, all photo enforcement is prohibited.

²⁸ In Wisconsin, photo radar is prohibited.